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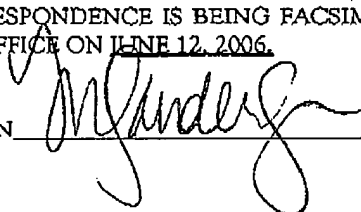
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SERIAL NO.: 09/404,182
FILED: SEPTEMBER 24, 1999
FOR: ASYMMETRICAL COMPUTER
MOUSE DESIGN WITH
EXTENDED THUMB BUTTONS

ATTY. DOCKET NO.: RP9-99-111
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§ EXAMINER: ABDULSELAM, ABBAS
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**PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT UNDER
MPEP 711.03(c) II AND 37 C.F.R. §1.181**

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SIR:

In response to the Notice of Abandonment dated May 11, 2006, stating a failure to timely or properly pay the required issued fee response to a Notice of Allowance allegedly mailed on August 15, 2004, Applicants respectfully petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment for the following reasons:

1. Applicants have never received the letter indicating the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due.
2. On September 24, 1999, Applicants filed the subject patent application in the United States Patent and Trademark Office with a duly signed Recordation Sheet designating the

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Date: 06/12/06

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correspondence address as Lakewood on the Park, Suite 350, 7600B N. Capital of Texas Highway, Austin TX 78731. A copy of this document is attached herewith.

3. On July 9, 2002, Applicants filed a duly executed Change of Correspondence Address requesting that the correspondence address of the subject patent application be changed to Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P., Intellectual Property Law, P.O. Box 969, Austin, Texas 78767-0969. A copy of this document is attached herewith. As evidenced by the attached Change of Correspondence Address document dated July 9, 2002, please note the official United States Patent and Trademark Office's date-stamp validating receipt of such change of address request.

4. On May 11, 2004, Applicants filed another duly executed Change of Correspondence Address requesting that the correspondence address of the subject patent application be changed to DILLON & YUDELL LLP, 8911 North Capital of Texas Highway, Suite 2110, Austin, Texas 78759. A copy of this document is attached herewith. As evidenced by the attached Change of Correspondence Address document dated May 11, 2004, please note the facsimile transmission of such change of address request was received in the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Applicants note that this change of address was filed a full 19 months following and without an intervening notification by the Office of a possible technical defect in the May 11, 2004 change of address form.

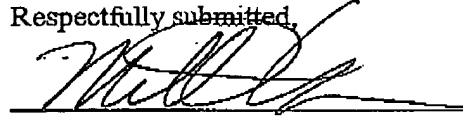
5. On December 13, 2005, Applicants received a Notice under 37 CFR §1.251, and filed a complete and accurate copy of the Applicant's record of all of the correspondence between the Office and the Applicant for the above-identified application on January 10, 2006. A copy of these documents are attached herewith.

5. Applicants' first indication of any problem with the status of the present application was the receipt of a Notice of Abandonment dated May 11, 2006 and received on May 15, 2006.

In view of the above, Applicants submit that the holding of abandonment in the present application resulted primarily from the failure of the Office to timely notify Applicants of any problems and therefore provide a fair opportunity to correct a problem and avoid abandonment. Applicants therefore respectfully request withdrawal of the holding of abandonment.

No fee is believed to be required at this time; however, in the event any fees are required, please charge **LENOVO, INC. Deposit Account No. 50-3533.**

Respectfully submitted,



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Whereas, we,

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County of Durhamof Durham,
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(2) BRIAN H. LEONARD
County of Durhamof DURHAM,
and State of NC,

have invented certain improvements in

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and executed, respectively, a United States patent application therefor on

(Dates Inventors Signed Declaration) (1) 9/23, 1999, and(2) 9/23, 1999.

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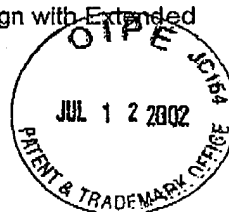
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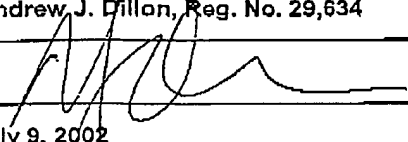
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Date **May 11, 2004**

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Applicant is given a period of **THREE (3) MONTHS** from the mailing date of this notice within which to provide a copy of applicant's record (if any) of all of the correspondence between the Office and applicant for the above-identified application (except for U.S. patent documents), a list of such correspondence, and a statement that the copy is a complete and accurate copy of applicant's record of all of the correspondence between the Office and the applicant for the above-identified application (except for U.S. patent documents), and whether applicant is aware of any correspondence between the Office and applicant for the above-identified application that is not among applicant's records.

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MATTHEW W. BACA
Typed or printed name

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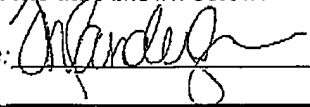
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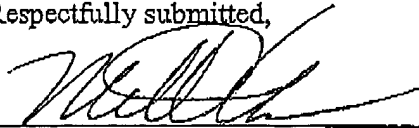
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